

Amendment and Response

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REMARKS

The following remarks are made in response to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2005. Claim 14 has been cancelled. Claims 13 and 15 were rejected. Claims 14, 21-26 have been objected to. With this Response, claims 13, 15 and 22-26 have been amended. Claims 13, 15, and 21-26 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 and Allowable Subject Matter

In the Office Action, claims 13 and 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Weidemer, U.S. Patent No. 5,155,680 in view of Eggers et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,920,432. In the Office Action, claims 14 and 21-26 were objected to but said to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant has amended independent claim 13 to incorporate the limitations of claim 14, thereby effectively rewriting claim 14 into an independent form that was indicated in the Office Action to be allowable. Accordingly, amended independent claim 13 is believed to be allowable in this form. Claims 15, 21, and 22-23 are believed to be allowable as well based on their dependency from amended independent claim 13.

Applicant has also amended claims 24, 25, and 26 to incorporate the limitations of base claim 13, thereby effectively rewriting each of claims 24, 25, and 26, respectively, into an independent form that was indicated in the Office Action to be allowable. Accordingly, amended independent claims 24, 25, and 26 are believed to be allowable in this form.

In light of the above, Applicant's respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection under Section 103(a) and allowance of all pending claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 13, 15, and 21-26 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 13, 15, and 21-26 is respectfully requested.

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